

**REMARKS**

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 3-9 as being unpatentable over Lee et al. in view of Klitsgaard et al. or Martin et al.

Lee et al. teaches a transmitter on an appliance and a receiver on a remote control that may be used for locating the remote control. In response to the power up of the remote control (i.e., changing batteries), a signal is sent to the transmitter, which then determines an identification code for the remote control. This identification code is sent to the remote control by the transmitter.

Klitsgaard et al. teaches a luggage tag using a Bluetooth network to locate the luggage. The tag is registered with a detector device which will indicate when the bag is within the detector's range. The luggage tag may be reset (un-registered) by temporarily removing power or pressing a reset switch. When un-registered, the tag becomes "invisible" to the detector unless the user goes to the trouble of having the detector search for all tags and the user again chooses that tag to monitor. Upon a reset, no request is made to the detector to re-register the tag. Col. 10, lines 9-46.

Lee et al. and Klitsgaard et al. cannot be combined to form the present invention in which a button on the remote control (tag) may be used to instruct the electric appliance (detector) to generate and store an identification code for use in registering the remote control.

Martin et al. teaches a RF/IR remote control where the remote control's IR channel is used to set an ID in a sat receiver for the RF channel. At the same time, this ID is

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stored locally in the remote control. There is no communication from the sat receiver to the remote control, only from the remote to the receiver. The user picks the ID for the remote, stores it in the remote and instructs the sat receiver to use that ID for the remote.

The present invention allows a user to merely request a new code with the remote control, the details are handled by the electric appliance, including informing the remote control of the new code.

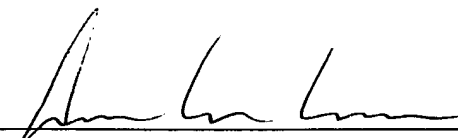
Lee et al. and Martin et al. cannot be combined to form the present invention in which a button on the remote control may be used to instruct the electric appliance to generate and store an identification code for use in registering the remote control.

None of these references teaches nor suggest that a button on the remote control may be used to instruct the transmitter to both generate and store an identification code for use in registering the remote control

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance and notification of same is requested.

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